

\$250,000 a year. These new taxes will not make health care any cheaper, but will further add to the tax burden that is straining family budgets and hampering the ability of small businesses to create jobs.

While I believe that there are shortcomings in our health care system, this health care law was the wrong prescription, and it is for that reason it should be repealed and replaced with a plan based on individual choice, personal liberty and economic freedom.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. All time for debate has expired.

Pursuant to House Resolution 274, the previous question is ordered on the bill.

The question is on the engrossment and third reading of the bill.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, and was read the third time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 1(c) of rule XIX, further consideration of H.R. 6079 is postponed.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

A message in writing from the President of the United States was communicated to the House by Mr. Brian Pate, one of his secretaries.

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

Accordingly (at 2 o'clock and 19 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess.

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AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mrs. EMERSON) at 3 p.m.

REPEAL OF OBAMACARE ACT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 1(c) of rule XIX, further consideration of the bill (H.R. 6079) to repeal the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act and health care-related provisions in the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010, will now resume.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

MOTION TO RECOMMIT

Mr. ANDREWS. Madam Speaker, I have a motion to recommit at the desk.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is the gentleman opposed to the bill?

Mr. ANDREWS. I am.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Clerk will report the motion to recommit.

The Clerk read as follows:

Mr. Andrews moves to recommit the bill H.R. 6079 to the Committees on Energy and Commerce, Ways and Means, and Education and the Workforce with instructions to report the same to the House forthwith with the following amendment:

Add at the end the following new section:

SEC. 5. MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES WHO VOTE TO REPEAL HEALTH CARE FOR THEIR CONSTITUENTS MUST FORFEIT THEIR OWN TAXPAYER-SUBSIDIZED HEALTH BENEFITS.

(a) FORFEITURE OF FEHBP BENEFITS BY ANY MEMBER VOTING IN FAVOR OF HEALTH CARE REPEAL.—A Member of the House of Representatives who votes in favor of passage of this Act (including the repeal of the patient benefit protection provisions described in subsection (b)) shall become ineligible to participate, as such a Member, in the federally funded Federal employees health benefits program (FEHBP) under chapter 89 of title 5, United States Code, effective at the beginning of the first month after the date of the enactment of this Act.

(b) PATIENT BENEFIT PROTECTION PROVISIONS.—For purposes of subsection (a), the patient benefit protection provisions described in this subsection include any provision of (or amendment made by) the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act or the Health Care and Education and Reconciliation Act of 2010 that provides for or protects patient benefits, including the following:

(1) PROHIBITION OF PREEXISTING CONDITION EXCLUSIONS.—Section 2704 of the Public Health Service Act relating to the prohibition of preexisting condition exclusions or other discrimination based on health status.

(2) FAIR HEALTH INSURANCE PREMIUMS.—Section 2701 of the Public Health Service Act relating to fair health insurance premiums, and prohibiting gender-based discriminatory premium rates.

(3) COVERAGE OF ADULT CHILDREN UNTIL AGE 26.—Section 2714 of the Public Health Service Act relating to the extension of dependent coverage for adult children until age 26.

(4) CLOSURE OF MEDICARE PART D DONUT HOLE.—Section 1860D-14A of the Social Security Act relating to the Medicare part D coverage gap discount program.

(5) NO LIFETIME OR ANNUAL LIMITS.—Section 2711 of the Public Health Service Act relating to no lifetime or annual limits.

(6) PREVENTIVE HEALTH SERVICES COVERAGE WITHOUT COST SHARING.—

(A) Section 2713 of the Public Health Service Act relating to the coverage of preventive health services without cost sharing.

(B) The amendments made by sections 4103 and 4104 of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (as amended by section 10406 of such Act), relating to an annual Medicare wellness visit and Medicare payment for preventive services without cost sharing including colorectal cancer screening.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from New Jersey is recognized for 5 minutes in support of the motion.

(Mr. ANDREWS asked and was given permission to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. ANDREWS. Madam Speaker, if my amendment passes, we will proceed immediately to final passage of this bill. It doesn't delay or defer consideration in any way.

My amendment raises the following question: Should Members of Congress live by the same laws we write for everyone else?

I say we should.

The last 2 days have been filled with sincere focus and passionate debate about the future of the Affordable Care Act. Members whom I respect and admire have taken strong positions saying we should repeal the law. Members

whom I respect and admire have taken strong positions saying we should uphold and enforce the law, as I believe strongly.

But whether you believe in the repeal of the law or the upholding of the law, you ought to believe in the basic principle that when we write a law around here, we should live by that law the same way everybody else does. So my final amendment says that supporters of repeal should live by the same consequences that everyone else will live by if they succeed in repealing the law.

You see, because if my amendment does not pass and the bill passes, Members of Congress will be protected if an insurance company tries to discriminate against us because we have had breast cancer or asthma or diabetes, but our constituents will not enjoy that protection.

If my amendment does not pass but the underlying repeal bill does pass, Members of Congress cannot be forced to pay higher premiums because they are female or because they are a certain age, but our constituents will not enjoy that protection.

If the final bill passes without my amendment passing, we will be able to take our sons and daughters who are less than 26 years of age and keep them on our own policies, but the people who pay our salaries, our constituents, will not have that protection.

If the underlying repeal bill passes without the amendment that I'm offering, then we would, as Members of Congress, get help paying high prescription drug bills under Medicare, but our constituents under Medicare would not enjoy that same benefit.

If my amendment does not pass, and the underlying repeal bill passes, if, God forbid, a member of our families is struck with a horrible disease or malignancy and runs up millions of dollars of bills, the insurance company will not be allowed to say, "Sorry, we're going to stop paying your health care bills because you've run up against a lifetime or annual policy limit," but Members of Congress will have that protection.

So, you see, I think this comes down to a basic point: If we write a law, we should live by it. This is something that I think most Members, liberal, conservative, Republican, Democrat, say when we go home to our district.

We, frankly, have all encountered constituents who wonder why we don't pay into Social Security. The truth is we all do—we all do—just the way our constituents do.

We run into constituents who say that they don't understand why our sons and daughters can pay off their student loans or get them forgiven for free when their kids can't. That's false. Our sons and daughters live under exactly the same student loan rules everybody else does.

We have people ask us, you know, how come we don't follow the tax laws everybody else does. We most certainly do. Republican, Democrat, liberal, and